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SUBJ: SOVIET APPEAL FOR PEACE, ETC.

1. THE APPEAL BY THE SOVIET PARTY AND GOVERNMENT, WHICH
BLANKETED THE FRONT PAGE OF THE MORNING PRESS MAY 10
AND WHICH IS MODESTLY DIRECTED "TO PEOPLES, PARLIAMENTS,
AND GOVERNMENTS," IS A PROPAGANDA RATHER THAN A POLICY
DOCUMENT. ITS SELF-CONGRATULATORY TONE, ITS APOCALYPTIC
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RHETORIC ("LANNING WORLD WAR FROM THE LIFE OF MANKIND"),

ITS SOFT-PEDALLING OF SUCH CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES
AS NATIONAL LIBERATION STRUGGLES, AND ITS OVERALL
GRANDIOSITY ATTEST TO ITS PURPOSE--TO SELL THE
SOVIET "PEACE POLICY" IN AS UNSOPHISTICATED A WAY AS
POSSIBLE TO AS LARGE AN AUDIENCE AS POSSIBLE. THE
DOCUMENT DOES CONTAIN A POSITIVE REFERENCE TO THE U.S.
(FOR SALT AND THE PNW AGREEMENT).

2. AT THE KREMLIN RECEPTION MAY 9, JUST AN HOUR
OR TWO BEFORE THE APPEAL WAS RELEASED, THE AP
BUREAU CHIEF SAW TASS DIRECTOR ZAMYATIN SCURRYING
BETWEEN GROMYKO AND BREZHNEV WITH A DRAFT. THEIR
LAST-MINUTE EDITING MAY ACCOUNT FOR THE SLOPPINESS
OF THE DOCUMENT--FOR EXAMPLE, ITS IMPLICATION THAT
"ALL" COUNTRIES ARE GUILTY OF INTERFERENCE IN THE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER PEOPLES AND STATES
(SINCE "ALL" COUNTRIES ARE ASKED TO STOP THE
INTERFERENCE).
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